

1 **Amendment to the Claims**

2 **In the Claims:**

3 Please amend Claims 1, 11, 14, 18, 30, 34, and 46 as follows:

4 1. (Currently Amended) A method for enabling a user to automatically introduce a plurality
5 of thumbnail images into a Web page to represent a plurality of original images, each thumbnail
6 image having a size that is substantially smaller than each corresponding original image, comprising
7 the steps of:

8 (a) enabling the user to select the plurality of original images that are to be
9 represented on the Web page by the plurality of thumbnail images;

10 (b) producing a thumbnail image from each original image, by enabling the user to
11 drag and drop an original image onto said Web page, and in response, automatically generating a
12 corresponding thumbnail image for the original image;

13 (c) determining a position of each thumbnail image on the Web page in accord
14 with a format specified by a template;

15 (d) automatically providing a hyperlink from each thumbnail image to each
16 corresponding original image in the Web page; and

17 (e) enabling the user to save the Web page which includes the plurality of
18 thumbnail images and hyperlinks to the original images, each thumbnail image appearing in the
19 position specified by the template when the Web page is displayed, selection of a thumbnail image
20 and activation of a hyperlink associated with said thumbnail image causing the corresponding
21 original image to be retrieved for display.

22 2. (Original) The method of Claim 1, further comprising the step of enabling a user to select
23 the template from among a plurality of templates, each of said plurality of templates defining a
24 different format with which said plurality of thumbnail images will be displayed on said Web page.

25 3. (Original) The method of Claim 2, wherein the plurality of templates include at least one
26 of a vertically oriented template in which the thumbnail images are arrayed vertically, a horizontally
27 oriented template in which the thumbnail images are arrayed horizontally, a slide show template, and
28 a montage template.

29 4. (Original) The method of Claim 2, further comprising the steps of:
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1 (a) enabling a user to define a custom template;
2 (b) enabling a user to save said custom template; and
3 (c) enabling a user to select said custom template to determine the format with which
4 the plurality of thumbnail images are displayed on the Web page.

5 5. (Original) The method of Claim 2, wherein each of the plurality of templates comprises an
6 extensible style language file.

7 6. (Original) The method of Claim 1, further comprising the step of employing at least one of a
8 default number of thumbnail images per row of the template, a default height for each thumbnail image, a
9 default width for each thumbnail image, a title of the template, a description of the template, and a
10 preview image file name.

11 7. (Original) The method of Claim 1, further comprising the steps of:

12 (a) building a data manifest in extensible markup language that includes at least
13 thumbnail data and hyperlink data;

14 (b) loading an extensible style language file corresponding to the selected
15 template; and

16 (c) using said data manifest and said extensible style language file to generate a
17 hypertext markup language (HTML) file defining said Web page.

18 8. (Original) The method of Claim 7, wherein the step of building a data manifest comprises
19 the steps of:

20 (a) including within the data manifest a thumbnail image height attribute; and

21 (b) including within the data manifest a thumbnail image width attribute.

22 9. (Original) The method of Claim 8, wherein the step of building a data manifest further
23 comprises at least one of the steps of:

24 (a) including within the data manifest a file attribute;

25 (b) including within the data manifest a caption element; and

26 (c) including within the data manifest a description element.

27 10. (Original) The method of Claim 2, further comprising the steps of:

28 (a) displaying a preview view of the Web page to a user; and

29 (b) enabling a user to edit said Web page.
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1 11. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 10, wherein the step of enabling a user to
2 edit said Web page comprises the steps of:

3 (a) enabling a user to select a different one of said plurality of templates than was
4 previously selected;

5 (b) automatically using said different one of the plurality of templates to generate an
6 edited Web page that includes said plurality of thumbnail images, said plurality of thumbnail images
7 being displayed according to formatting information provided by said different one of said plurality of
8 templates;

9 (c) displaying a preview of the edited Web page to a user; and

10 (d) enabling a user to selectively perform at least one of the following:

11 (i) continuing to edit said edited Web page; and

12 (ii) saving the Web page that has been edited.

13 12. (Original) The method of Claim 10, wherein the step of enabling a user to edit said Web
14 page comprises at least one of the steps of:

15 (a) enabling a user to select one of the plurality of thumbnail images to edit;

16 (b) enabling a user to select one of the plurality of thumbnail images to delete; and

17 (c) enabling a user to select at least one additional original image for which a
18 corresponding thumbnail image and hyperlink will be automatically generated.

19 13. (Original) The method of Claim 12, wherein the step of enabling a user to select one of the
20 plurality of thumbnail images to edit comprises at least one of the steps of:

21 (a) enabling a user to resize said thumbnail image that was selected;

22 (b) enabling a user to crop said thumbnail image that was selected;

23 (c) enabling a user to rotate said thumbnail image that was selected;

24 (d) enabling a user to add a caption relating to said thumbnail image that was selected;

25 (e) enabling a user to delete an existing caption relating to said thumbnail image that
26 was selected;

27 (f) enabling a user to modify an existing caption relating to said thumbnail image that
28 was selected;

29 (g) enabling a user to add a description relating to said thumbnail image that was
30 selected;

1 (h) enabling a user to delete an existing description relating to said thumbnail
2 image that was selected; and

3 (i) enabling a user to modify an existing description relating to said thumbnail
4 image that was selected.

5 14. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 121, ~~wherein~~ further comprising the steps of
6 ~~enabling a user to select at least one additional original image to include on said Web page comprises~~
7 ~~the step of enabling a user to drag and drop said at least one additional original image onto said Web~~
8 ~~page, and in response, automatically generating a corresponding thumbnail image for each additional~~
9 ~~original image, automatically generating~~ a hyperlink between said corresponding thumbnail and each
10 additional ~~the~~ original image[[,]]; and adding said corresponding thumbnail and said hyperlink on
11 said Web page.

12 15. (Original) The method of Claim 1, wherein the step of enabling a user to select the
13 plurality of original images that are to be represented by the plurality of thumbnail images comprises
14 at least one of the steps of:

15 (a) enabling a user to import a plurality of original images from at a storage;
16 (b) enabling a user to import a plurality of original images from a scanner; and
17 (c) enabling a user to import a plurality of original images from a digital image
18 capturing device.

19 16. (Original) The method of Claim 1, further comprising the step of enabling a user to link
20 Web pages that include thumbnail images together.

21 17. (Original) The method of Claim 16, wherein the step of enabling a user to link individual
22 Web pages together comprises the step of enabling a user to add a navigation bar to each Web page to
23 be linked together.

24 18. (Currently Amended) An article of manufacture adapted for use with a computer to enable
25 a user to automatically introduce a plurality of thumbnail images into a Web page to represent a
26 plurality of original images, each thumbnail image having a size that is substantially smaller than
27 each corresponding original image, comprising:

28 (a) a memory medium; and
29 (b) a plurality of machine instructions stored on the memory medium, said
30 plurality of machine instructions, when executed by a computer, causing the computer to:

1 (i) enable a user to select the plurality of original images that are to be
2 represented on the Web page by the plurality of thumbnail images;

3 (ii) automatically produce a thumbnail image from each original image, by
4 enabling the user to drag and drop an original image onto said Web page, and in response,
5 automatically generate a corresponding thumbnail image for the original image;

6 (iii) determine a position of each thumbnail image on the Web page in
7 accord with a format specified by a template;

8 (iv) automatically providing a hyperlink from each thumbnail image to each
9 corresponding original image in the Web page; and

10 (v) enable a user to save the Web page, which includes the plurality of
11 thumbnail images and hyperlinks to the original images, each thumbnail image appearing in the
12 position specified by the template when the Web page is displayed, selection of a thumbnail image
13 and activation of a hyperlink associated with said thumbnail image causing the corresponding
14 original image to be retrieved for display.

15 19. (Original) The article of manufacture of Claim 18, wherein said plurality of machine
16 instructions further cause the computer to enable a user to select a template from among a plurality of
17 templates, include at least one of a vertically oriented template in which the plurality of thumbnail image
18 are arrayed vertically, a horizontally oriented template in which the plurality of thumbnail images are
19 arrayed horizontally, a slide show oriented template, and a montage template.

20 20. (Original) The article of manufacture of Claim 18, wherein when said plurality of
21 machine instructions further cause the computer to:

22 (a) enable a user to define a custom template;

23 (b) enable a user to save said custom template; and

24 (c) enable a user to select said custom template to determine a format for
25 positioning the plurality of thumbnail images on the Web page.

26 21. (Original) The article of manufacture of Claim 18, wherein each of said plurality of
27 templates comprises an extensible style language file.

28 22. (Original) The article of manufacture of Claim 18, wherein each of the plurality of
29 templates includes at least one of: a default number of thumbnail images per row of the template, a
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1 default height of each thumbnail image, a default width of each thumbnail image, a title of the
2 template, a description of the template, and a preview image file name.

3 23. (Original) The article of manufacture of Claim 18, wherein said plurality of machine
4 instructions further cause the computer to:

5 (a) build a data manifest in extensible markup language that includes at least
6 thumbnail image data and hyperlink data;

7 (b) load an extensible style language file corresponding to the selected the
8 template; and

9 (c) use said data manifest and said extensible style language file corresponding to
10 the selected the template to generate a hypertext markup language (HTML) file defining said Web
11 page.

12 24. (Original) The article of manufacture of Claim 23, wherein said plurality of machine
13 instructions further cause the computer to:

14 (a) include within the data manifest a thumbnail image height attribute; and

15 (b) include within the data manifest a thumbnail image width attribute.

16 25. (Original) The article of manufacture of Claim 24, wherein said plurality of machine
17 instructions further cause the computer to implement at least one of the following:

18 (a) include within the data manifest a file attribute;

19 (b) include within the data manifest a caption element; and

20 (c) include within the data manifest a description element.

21 26. (Original) The article of manufacture of Claim 18, wherein after said plurality of
22 machine instructions further cause the computer to:

23 (a) display a preview of the Web page to a user; and

24 (b) enable a user to edit said Web page.

25 27. (Original) The article of manufacture of Claim 26, wherein when said plurality of
26 machine instructions cause the computer to enable a user to edit said Web page, said plurality of
27 machine instructions further cause the computer to:

28 (a) enable a user to select a different one of said plurality of templates than was
29 previously selected by the user to generate the Web page;

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1 (b) automatically use the different template to generate an edited Web page that
2 includes said plurality of thumbnail images displayed according to formatting information provided
3 by said different template;

4 (c) display a preview of the edited Web page to a user; and

5 (d) enable a user to elect one of the following:

6 (i) continue to edit said edited Web page; and

7 (ii) save said edited Web page.

8 28. (Original) The article of manufacture of Claim 26, wherein when said plurality of
9 machine instructions cause the computer to enable a user to edit said Web page, said plurality of
10 machine instructions further cause the computer to perform at least one of the following functions:

11 (a) enable a user to select one of the plurality of thumbnail images to edit;

12 (b) enable a user to select one of the plurality of thumbnail images to delete; and

13 (c) enable a user to select at least one additional original image to include on said
14 Web page, a corresponding thumbnail and a hyperlink between said corresponding thumbnail and
15 each additional original image being automatically generated for each additional original image.

16 29. (Original) The article of manufacture of Claim 28, wherein when said plurality of machine
17 instructions cause the computer to enable a user to select said one of the plurality of thumbnail images to
18 edit, said plurality of machine instructions further cause the computer to perform at least one of the
19 following functions:

20 (a) enable a user to resize said one of the plurality of thumbnail images;

21 (b) enable a user to crop said one of the plurality of thumbnail images;

22 (c) enable a user to rotate said one of the plurality of thumbnail images;

23 (d) enable a user to add a caption relating to said one of the plurality of thumbnail
24 images;

25 (e) enable a user to delete an existing caption relating to said one of the plurality
26 of thumbnail images;

27 (f) enable a user to modify an existing caption relating to said one of the plurality
28 of thumbnail images;

29 (g) enabling a user to add a description relating to said one of the plurality of
30 thumbnail images;

1 (h) enabling a user to delete an existing description relating to said one of the
2 plurality of thumbnail images; and

3 (i) enabling a user to modify an existing description relating to said one of the
4 plurality of thumbnail images.

5 30. (Currently Amended) The article of manufacture of Claim ~~28~~18, wherein when said
6 plurality of machine instructions cause the computer to ~~enable a user to select at least one additional~~
7 ~~original image to include on said Web page~~ automatically produce a thumbnail image from each
8 original image, said plurality of machine instructions further cause the computer to:

9 (a) ~~enable a user to drag and drop said at least one additional original image onto~~
10 ~~said Web page;~~

11 (b) ~~automatically generate a corresponding thumbnail image for each additional~~
12 ~~original image, and~~ automatically generate a hyperlink between said corresponding thumbnail image
13 and ~~each additional~~ the original image; and

14 (e**b**) add said hyperlink and said corresponding thumbnail to said Web page.

15 31. (Original) The article of manufacture of Claim 18, wherein when said plurality of
16 machine instructions cause the computer to enable a user to select the plurality of original images that
17 are to be represented by the plurality of thumbnail images, said plurality of machine instructions
18 further cause the computer to:

19 (a) enable a user to import a plurality of original images from a storage;

20 (b) enable a user to import a plurality of original images from a scanner; and

21 (c) enable a user to import a plurality of original images from a digital image
22 capture device.

23 32. (Original) The article of manufacture of Claim 18, wherein said plurality of machine
24 instructions further cause the computer to enable a user to link individual Web pages together.

25 33. (Original) The article of manufacture of Claim 32, wherein when said plurality of machine
26 instructions cause the computer to enable a user to link individual Web pages together, said plurality of
27 machine instructions further cause the computer to enable a user to add a navigation bar to each Web page
28 to be linked together.

29 34. (Currently Amended) A system for enabling a user to automatically introduce a plurality
30 of thumbnail images into a Web page to represent a plurality of original images, each thumbnail

1 image having a size that is substantially smaller than each corresponding original image, said system
2 comprising:

3 (a) a memory for storing a plurality of machine instructions;
4 (b) a display that displays text and images;
5 (c) a user interface that enables a user to provide input to the system; and
6 (d) a processor, coupled to the memory, the display, and the user interface, said
7 processor executing the plurality of machine instructions, causing a plurality of functions to be
8 implemented, said plurality of functions including:

9 (i) enabling the user to select the plurality of original images that are to be
10 represented on the Web page by the plurality of thumbnail images;

11 (ii) producing a thumbnail image from each original image, by enabling a
12 user to drag and drop an original image onto said Web page, and in response, automatically
13 generating a corresponding thumbnail image for the original image;

14 (iii) determining a position of each thumbnail image on the Web page in
15 accord with a format specified by a template;

16 (iv) automatically providing a hyperlink from each thumbnail image to each
17 corresponding original image in the Web page; and

18 (v) enabling the user to save the Web page, which includes the plurality of
19 thumbnail images and hyperlinks to the original images, each thumbnail image appearing in the
20 position specified by the template when the Web page is displayed, selection of a thumbnail image
21 and activation of a hyperlink associated with said thumbnail image causing the corresponding
22 original image to be retrieved for display.

23 35. (Original) The system of Claim 34, wherein the machine instructions cause the processor
24 to prompt a user to select one template from among a plurality of different templates for determining
25 a format and position of the plurality of thumbnail images in the Web page, the plurality of different
26 templates including at least one of a vertically oriented template that arrays the thumbnail images
27 vertically, a horizontally oriented template that arrays the plurality of thumbnail images horizontally,
28 a slide show oriented template, and a montage template.

29 36. (Original) The system of Claim 35, wherein the function of enabling a user to select said
30 one template from among the plurality of templates comprises the functions of:

1 (a) enabling a user to define a custom template;
2 (b) enabling a user to save said custom template; and
3 (c) including said custom template among the plurality of templates from which
4 the user is enabled to select.

5 37. (Original) The system of Claim 35, wherein each of the plurality of templates comprises
6 an extensible style language file.

7 38. (Original) The system of Claim 35, wherein each of the plurality of templates comprises at
8 least one of: a default number of thumbnail images per row, a default height of each thumbnail image, a
9 default width of each thumbnail image, a title of the template, a description of the template, and a preview
10 image file name.

11 39. (Original) The system of Claim 34, wherein the function of using the template to
12 generate a Web page comprises the functions of:

13 (a) building a data manifest in extensible markup language that includes at least
14 thumbnail data and hyperlink data;

15 (b) loading an extensible style language file corresponding to the template; and

16 (c) using said data manifest and said extensible style language file to generate a
17 hypertext markup language (HTML) file defining said Web page.

18 40. (Original) The system of Claim 39, wherein the function of building a data manifest in
19 extensible markup language comprises the functions of:

20 (a) including within the data manifest a thumbnail image height attribute; and

21 (b) including within the data manifest a thumbnail image width attribute.

22 41. (Original) The system of Claim 40, wherein the function of building a data manifest in
23 extensible markup language further comprises at least one of the functions of:

24 (a) including within the data manifest a file attribute;

25 (b) including within the data manifest a caption element; and

26 (c) including within the data manifest a description element.

27 42. (Original) The system of Claim 35, wherein the machine instructions further cause the
28 processor to implement the functions of:

29 (a) displaying a preview of the Web page to a user; and

30 (b) enabling a user to edit said Web page.

1 43. (Original) The system of Claim 42, wherein the function of enabling a user to edit said
2 Web page includes the functions of:

3 (a) enabling a user to select a different one of said plurality of templates than was
4 previously selected to produce the Web page;

5 (b) automatically using said different template to generate an edited Web page that
6 includes said plurality of thumbnail images, said plurality of thumbnail images being displayed
7 according to formatting information provided by said different template;

8 (c) displaying a preview of the edited Web page to a user; and

9 (d) enabling a user to selectively perform one of the following:

10 (i) continuing to edit said edited Web page; and

11 (ii) saving said edited Web page.

12 44. (Original) The system of Claim 42, wherein the function of enabling a user to edit said
13 Web page comprises at least one of the functions of:

14 (a) enabling a user to select one of the plurality of thumbnail images to edit;

15 (b) enabling a user to select one of the plurality of thumbnail images to edit; and

16 (c) enabling a user to select at least one additional original image to include on
17 said Web page, a corresponding thumbnail for each additional original image and a hyperlink
18 between said corresponding thumbnail and each additional original image being automatically
19 generated, and said corresponding thumbnail being added to said Web page.

20 45. (Original) The system of Claim 44, wherein the function of enabling a user to select one of the
21 plurality of thumbnail images to edit comprises at least one of the functions of:

22 (a) enabling a user to resize one of the plurality of thumbnail images;

23 (b) enabling a user to crop one of the plurality of thumbnail images;

24 (c) enabling a user to rotate one of the plurality of thumbnail images;

25 (d) enabling a user to add a caption relating to one of the plurality of thumbnail
26 images;

27 (e) enabling a user to delete an existing caption relating to one of the plurality of
28 thumbnail images;

29 (f) enabling a user to modify an existing caption relating to one of the plurality of
30 thumbnail images;

1 (g) enabling a user to add a description relating to one of the plurality of thumbnail
2 images;

3 (h) enabling a user to delete an existing description relating to one of the plurality of
4 thumbnail images; and

5 (i) enabling a user to modify an existing description relating to one of the plurality
6 of thumbnail images.

7 46. (Currently Amended) The system of Claim ~~[[44]]~~34, wherein the function of ~~enabling a~~
8 ~~user to select at least one additional original image to include on said Web page comprises the~~
9 ~~function of enabling a user to drag and drop said at least one additional original image onto said Web~~
10 ~~page, a corresponding thumbnail for each additional original image and automatically generating a~~
11 ~~hyperlink between said corresponding thumbnail and each additional~~ the ~~original image being~~
12 ~~automatically generated, and adding said corresponding thumbnail being added and said hyperlink to~~
13 ~~said Web page.~~

14 47. (Original) The system of Claim 34, wherein the function of enabling a user to select the
15 plurality of original images that are to be represented by the plurality of thumbnail images comprises
16 at least one of the functions of:

17 (a) enabling a user to import a plurality of original images from a storage to which
18 the system is coupled;

19 (b) enabling a user to import a plurality of original images from a scanner to which
20 the system is coupled; and

21 (c) enabling a user to import a plurality of original images from a digital image
22 capture device to which the system is coupled.

23 48. (Original) The system of Claim 34, wherein the machine instructions further cause the
24 processor to implement the function of enabling a user to link individual Web pages together.

25 49. (Original) The system of Claim 48, wherein the machine instructions further cause the
26 processor to implement the function of enabling a user to add a navigation bar to each Web page to be
27 linked together, thereby generating a Web site.